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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : CHOU
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Title : ASSAY SYSTEMS, KITS AND METHODS
FOR DETECTING MICROORGANISMS
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Commissioner for Patents
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows: